











Your RadioShack Firestorm is built to handle the road in style, whether the road is the hallway inside your house or the sidewalk outside. Built to 1/12 scale, it can reach speeds of up to 930 feet per minute! The Firestorm's racing wheels handle the straightaways or rough spots, and its differential gear really handles the corners.

Note: You need the following (not supplied) to power your Firestorm:

- · One 9-volt battery for the transmit-
- · At least one 9.6-volt rechargeable battery pack for the car
- · One battery pack charger

# **Installing Batteries**

#### Cautions:

- Use only a fresh battery/battery pack of the required size and recommended type.
- · If you will not be using the car for a week or more, remove the battery from the transmitter and the battery pack from the car. Batteries can leak chemicals that can damage electronic parts.
- Never leave dead or weak batteries in the transmitter or the car.



· Dispose of batteries and the battery pack promptly and properly; do not bury or burn them.

# In the Transmitter

The transmitter uses one 9-volt battery for power. For the best performance and longest life, we recommend a RadioShack alkaline battery.

Follow these steps to install the transmitter's battery.

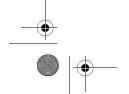
- 1. Pull up on the tab on the bottom edge of the transmitter so the battery compartment cover pops off.
- 2. Place a battery in the compartment according to the polarity symbols (+ and -) marked inside.
- 3. Replace the cover and snap it shut.

When the range of the transmitter decreases, replace its battery.



All batteries required for the Firestorm are available at your local RadioShack store.

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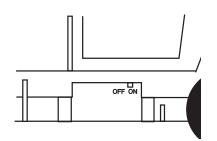




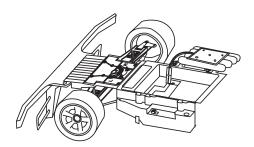
The car uses one 9.6-volt rechargeable battery pack for power.

You must charge a rechargeable battery pack before you can use it to power your Firestorm. To charge it, follow the battery charger's instructions. Then follow these steps to put the battery pack in the car.

1. Slide the car's **OFF/ON** switch to **OFF**.



- The battery compartment is located underneath the car. Use a coin to turn the battery compartment cover's latches counterclockwise until they stop. Then lift off the cover.
- Place the battery pack in the compartment so the wires from the pack slide down into the slot on the side of the compartment.
- 4. Replace the cover and turn the latches clockwise until they stop to secure the cover.



5. Connect the battery pack's white connector to the car's matching connector. They only fit together one way. Do not force them!

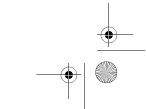
**Caution:** Be sure the connectors and wires do not touch the Firestorm's moving parts.

If the Firestorm loses power or does not respond to the transmitter, recharge the battery pack.

**Note**: Occasionally, let the battery pack fully discharge before recharging it. Otherwise the battery pack loses its ability to fully charge.















#### Cautions:

- Use only the recommended battery pack and charger.
- · Do not charge or recharge the battery pack while it is in the car.
- · After you charge or recharge the battery pack, disconnect it from the charger (see charger's manual for length of charging time). Overcharging the battery pack could damage it.
- · When you disconnect the battery pack from the charger, do not pull on the connector's wires. You might damage the battery pack.



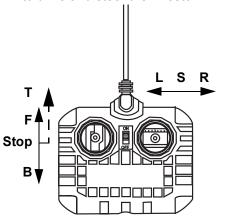
Dispose of old batteries and the battery pack promptly and properly; do not burn or bury them.

Contact your local, county, or state hazardous waste management authorities for information on battery recycling or disposal programs in your area. Some options that might be available are: municipal curb-side collection, drop-off boxes at retailers such as your local RadioShack store, recycling collection centers, and mail-back programs.

### DRIVING THE FIRESTORM

Warning: This car can reach much higher speeds than many other radiocontrolled cars. Be careful to avoid high-speed collisions with people and objects.

- 1. Slide the car's OFF/ON switch to ON.
- 2. Use the transmitter's control levers to drive and steer the Firestorm.

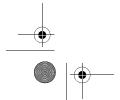


#### **Left Control Lever**

- · Push forward to move forward (F).
- · Push forward all the way for turbo speed (T).
- Pull back to move backward (B).
- Release to stop (S).

#### **Right Control Lever**

- · Push left to move left.
- Push right to move right.
- Release to go straight.















**Caution:** if the Firestorm gets stuck under an object, immediately release the transmitter's control levers and retrieve the car.

3. When you finish playing with the Firestorm, slide **OFF/ON** to **OFF**.

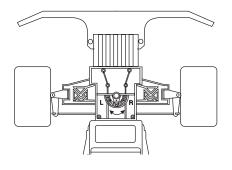


Don't play with your Firestorm in the street.

# WHEEL ALIGNMENT

If the Firestorm does not go in a straight line when you release the right control lever, adjust the wheel alignment control on the bottom of the car.

Slide the control toward **L** if the car is pulling to the right, or toward **R** if the car is pulling to the left.

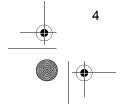


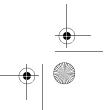


## **HELPFUL HINTS**

These hints can help you get the most enjoyment from your Firestorm.

- Running your car continuously for long periods generates high heat levels. Heat causes wear and tear on the motor. To help keep heat levels down, when your car's battery pack dies, let the car cool at least 10 minutes before installing a newly charged battery pack.
- If someone uses a CB nearby, it might interfere with control of the car. If this happens, move the car and transmitter away from the CB.











- You cannot operate your Firestorm near devices with transmitters that use the same frequency as your car (either 27 MHz or 49 MHz). Check your car's box to see which frequency your Firestorm uses.
- If the Firestorm moves slowly and you just installed a fully charged battery pack, check the wheel mechanisms for lint, thread, hair or dust.

# CARE

The following suggestions will help you care for your Firestormso you can enjoy it for years.

- Do not drive the car through puddles or mud, on a wet floor, or in sand, rain, or snow. These can damage it.
- Do not expose the car or transmitter to temperature extremes, and do not store them in direct sunlight or near a heat source.
- Do not leave the car or transmitter outside overnight. Night dampness can damage their electronic circuits.
- To protect the car's mechanisms from lint and hair, do not drive the car on carpet.
- Wipe the car and transmitter with a damp cloth occasionally to keep them looking new. Do not use harsh chemicals to clean them.

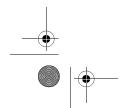
Modifying or tampering with the car's or transmitter's internal components can cause a malfunction and might invalidate the car's warranty and void your FCC authorization to operate it. If your car is not performing as it should, take it and the transmitter to your local RadioShack store for assistance.

# THE FCC WANTS YOU TO KNOW

Your Firestorm or its transmitter might cause TV or radio interference even when it is operating properly. To determine whether your Firestorm or its transmitter is causing the interference, turn off your Firestorm and release the transmitter's control levers. If the interference goes away, your Firestorm or the transmitter is causing the interference. Try to eliminate the interference by:

- moving your Firestorm and transmitter away from the TV or radio
- contacting your local RadioShack store for help

If you cannot eliminate the interference, the FCC requires that you stop using your Firestorm and transmitter.





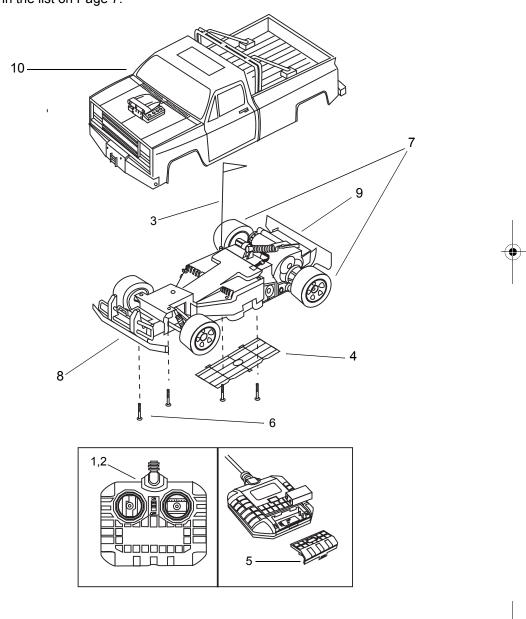


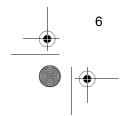


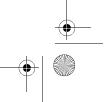




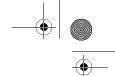
You can order replacement parts for your vehicle at your local RadioShack store. Simply identify the part(s) you need from this exploded view, then find the part number in the list on Page 7.



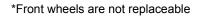




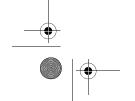




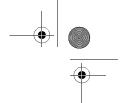
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| 1           | Transmitter 27 MHz  | 12172375 | ZA90206   |
| 2           | Transmitter 49 MHz  | 12172383 | ZA90207   |
| 3           | Antenna, wire for receiver  | 10541407 | A4012     |
| 4           | Car Battery Door  | 12172391 | DB91026   |
| 5           | Transmitter Battery Door  | 10611358 | DB1064    |
| 6           | Hardware Kit: 60-4231<br>Consists of:<br>Metal Screw 3 x 24PT (4) | 12172409 | HW6004231 |
| 7           | Rear Wheel Assembly (left or right)*                              | 12172417 | Z91942    |
| 8           | Front Bumper Guard  | 12172425 | Z91943    |
| 9           | Rear Bumper Guard   | 12172433 | Z91944    |
| 10          | Car Body Assembly, Labels   | 12172441 | Z91945    |
| 11‡         | Owner's Manual  | 12172458 | MU6004231 |
| 12‡         | Service Manual  | 12172466 | MS6004231 |



<sup>‡</sup>Not shown in exploded view







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This warranty does not cover: (a) damage or failure caused by or attributable to acts of God, abuse, accident, misuse, improper or abnormal usage, crash, collision, impact, violent contact, failure to follow instructions, improper installation or maintenance, alteration, lightning or other incidence of excess voltage or current; (b) any repairs other than those provided by a RadioShack Authorized Service Facility; (c) consumable such as fuses or batteries; (d) cosmetic damage; (e) transportation, shipping or insurance costs; or (f) costs of product removal, installation, set-up service adjustment or reinstallation.

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